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In compliance with the duty imposed by 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, and in accordance with C.F.R. §§ 1.97 *et. seq.*, the materials enclosed herewith are brought to the attention of the Examiner as possibly being of interest in connection with the above-identified patent application. Pursuant to MPEP § 609, the information cited in the present Information Disclosure Statement shall not be construed to be an admission that the information is, or is considered to be, material to patentability. Consideration of each of the documents listed on the attached 1449 form is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. § 609, Applicants further request that a copy of the 1449 form, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, be returned with the next Official Communication.

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